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New staff values have the council in a spin

'A completely pointless exercise, that has no bearing on day-to-day work'

The cost of 'rebranding' North Ayrshire Council (NAC) has been causing consternation among staff, according to a number of sources on the island.

A new logo was introduced earlier this summer, as well as an internal project to launch 'new staff values'.

At a meeting in Arran High School two weeks ago, island based staff were apparently left astounded by the amount of money being spent on what one described as 'a completely pointless exercise, that has no bearing on day-to-day work'.

Freedom of information requests have shown that 'road-shows' to launch the new staff values have cost NAC more than £11,500.

A total of £5,200 was spent

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on the production of a 'Focus, Passion, Inspiration brand' while roadshow sound, vision and lighting cost another £1,239 and £3,010 has been spent on 7,000 new lanyards.

In the words of the council's own press release to launch the new logo, 'slight changes to the colours have brought the old NAC identity back to life'.

It continues: 'The familiar design remains but a fresher, more contemporary look mirrors the style of the newer artwork on our business literature.'

The only major change is that the name of North Ayrshire Council is now shown

in both English and Gaelic. A spokesperson for North Ayrshire Council said: 'The recent staff meeting on Arran was not about the introduction of the new council logo but about an internal project to launch our new staff values: focus, passion and inspiration.'

'These values were identified by our own staff - through focus groups etc - as being the traits which personify the North Ayrshire Council workforce and which typify the service we deliver to the residents of North Ayrshire.'

'The Arran meeting was one of eight staff meetings held across North Ayrshire at which senior management spoke on the importance of embedding these values in the council's everyday work.'



'Arran Man' triathlon looks easy for Brian

Brian Kelso from Shiskine finished fifth in the 'Arran Man' half 'iron man' distance triathlon on the island last Saturday.

The triathlon, which started and finished at Machrie Bay, was a test event for a proposed bigger Arran Man Iron Man next year.

The experienced athletes swam 1.9kms, cycled an 89kms anti-clockwise loop of the island and ran 20kms through Blackwaterfoot and along the Machrie Moor.

Of the 63 athletes competing in the event, Brian was the only local, finishing in just over five hours. 20_b36tri01



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AYF to host second independence debate

With just weeks to go until the Scottish independence referendum, Arran Youth Foundations (AYF) are giving young people their last chance to engage in the debate when they host a panel of speakers on Friday 12 September at 7pm in Arran High School.

The event will be free and open to high school pupils of any age, and will feature two speakers for 'Yes' and two for 'No'.

AYF's youth worker Graeme Johnston explained: 'It's vitally important that young people have every opportunity to feel fully engaged in what will be their first ever vote, and a historic one at that.'

'Earlier in the year we hosted an event with Kenneth Gibson MSP and Katy Clark MP which proved very interesting for the young folk who took part.'

'There was also a debate scheduled at the high school before the summer holidays which was unfortunately cancelled due to a last-minute speaker pullout.'

'This event on the 12th should help make up for that and give the pupils at the high school their chance to hear the arguments from both sides.'

Youngsters are encouraged to come along on Friday 12 September at 7pm to join the debate.



Jackson Carlaw MSP campaigning in Brodick on Wednesday.
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With less than two weeks to go until the vote on Scottish independence, campaigning by both sides in the referendum debate continued on the island this week.

Conservative MSP Jackson Carlaw and former councillor Richard Wilkinson were joined by local supporters of the 'No Thanks' campaign on Wednesday as they took to the streets of Arran.

Mr Carlaw told *The Banner* that until now the dominant voice on the island did appear to be in favour of separation but he is urging 'No' voters to make their voice heard.

He said: 'I think experience all over the country has taught us that 'No' voters tend not to be as vocal about their opinions as we are not fighting to have our views heard.'

'Here on Arran I know that there are hundreds of people concerned about the effects independence could have on Scotland.'

'I believe that the best future for us rests within the United Kingdom and just as I used my postal vote to hopefully deliver a resounding 'No Thanks' vote I urge the silent majority of voters to do the same.'

'This is not a vote for the glory of the past, but for the hope and opportunity of a strong Scotland within a great Britain.'

'The 'Yes' case is based on pure assertion that we'll have a currency union and unnecessarily scaring people on the future of the NHS in Scotland.'

North Ayrshire gets lottery help to mark war centenary

North Ayrshire Council and Irvine Burns Club have received £10,000 from the Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) for a joint project, Forever Nineteen, to commemorate the centenary of the First World War.

Awarded through HLF's First World War: then and now programme, the project will focus on connecting local people, especially young people, with the poignant sacrifice of the First World War.

The aim is to bring to life the stories behind the names on local war memorials, adding relevance for local people in the vast array of national programmes.

The project also hopes to involve local people; promote local studies, library services and add to the knowledge base of service participants.

Salmon Run reaches Arran

Two local employees of The Scottish Salmon Company cycled around the island on Wednesday as part of the firm's annual charity Salmon Run.

Iain MacIntyre and Jamie Sillars cycled a 56-mile loop of the island as part of the fifth stage of the 350-mile event that sees staff from the company run, walk, cycle and row their way from the Outer Hebrides to Arran, with an additional stage in Edinburgh. Currently 89 employees have taken part in the event, the route of which reflects the different areas where The Scottish Salmon Company has operations across Scotland.

All money raised from the event will go directly to the provision of defibrillators in the local area through The Sandpiper Trust.

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Threat to council lifted as members agree to carry on

'They have thrown the ball back into our court'

The threat to the future of Arran Community Council has been lifted at the 11th hour.

Members currently serving have agreed to carry on without elections which were due to be held next month.

But the council has lost two long serving members, chairman John Inglis and Lam-lash representative Brenda Stewart, who have now stood down.

The community council faced an impasse after North Ayrshire Council 'froze' all elections while a review into their set up is underway, as reported in the Banner last month.

Under the rules of the Arran constitution all current members should have retired next month, after serving two years, and sought re-election.

However, after discussions with NAC, the council were given three options as a way of resolving the situation.

* Continue to run with their existing membership beyond the normal two-year period and fill any vacancies through a by-election or co-option.

* Hold full elections, whether at the end of a year period or otherwise, which would require all councillors to resign.

* Consider the co-option of non-voting 16 and 17 year olds.

At a meeting in Brodick last week members expressed their concern with one representative saying: 'They have thrown the ball back into our court.' While Brodick representative Colin McKenzie added: 'This just seems to be shambolic.'

Members heard that the restructuring of community councils was part of a national debate involving the Scottish Government and the North Ayrshire review was part of that.

After discussion members agreed they would stay on until it was clear what the future set up was to be and village committees are to be asked to find new members to be co-opted to fill the vacant posts.

Mr Inglis said: 'The present members will remain in power until it is clear what the new policy is.'

As a result the next meeting of the council on 30 September will be a normal meeting with the AGM of the council now to be held on 28 October.

Earlier Mr Inglis publicly thanked Mrs Stewart for the 11 years she had served on the community council. He said she had 'worked tirelessly for Arran' during that time.

Mr Inglis also intimated it would be his last meeting.



Alex Josephy, second right, is presented with her prize by poet Michael Laskey.

McLellan poetry winner announced

One of Scotland's foremost literary awards was presented at Brodick Hall on Friday night. The McLellan poetry prize winner for 2014 was Alex Josephy, who received a cheque for £1,000.

This year's competition, which forms part of the annual McLellan Festival, attracted a record number of entries.

Presenting a cheque for £1,000 to first prize winner Alex Josephy, judge Michael Laskey commented on the particularly high standard of the poems entered for this

year's competition. He added that he could happily have given prizes to 30 or 40 of the poems he had seen.

He had finally selected Alex Josephy's poem 'Scalandrino' which he called 'a moving metaphor for life'.

Alex had travelled specially from her home in Italy to receive her prize.

After the award ceremony Michael Laskey read some of his own poems to an appreciative audience.

Michael, founder of the Aldeburgh Poetry Festival,

the UK's premier event of its kind, proclaimed himself impressed by his first visit to Arran. It would not, he said, be his last.

Injured walker rescued

The Arran mountain rescue team was called out last Tuesday to a woman who had injured her leg in the Bein Nuis area.

The team set off in the Argocat from the top of the String Road and on reaching the walker, she was treated for her injuries and taken off the hill to safety.

Livestock sales

United Auctions in Stirling had forward 1,584 store cattle and cast cows, also 13,814 store, prime lambs and cast ewes last week.

Cattle: Saler cross bullock £700, 219p Ceithir Gaothie; Charloais cross heifer £730, 217p Ceithir Gaothie; Simmental cross cast cows £965, 143p Bellevue.

Sheep: Texel cross lambs: £90.50 Bridge; £75.50 Moor; £70 Drumnaghiner and Lenamhor; £65 Hillhead and Bellevue. Suffolk cross lambs: £61.50 Drumnaghiner; £55.50 Sheddock. Cheviot cross lambs: £53.50 Balnacool. Mule lambs: £53.50 Balgowan. Cross lambs: £46.50 Ceithir Gaoithe. Blackface lambs: £39.50 Balgowan.

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Scottish independence referendum, Thursday 18 September

With just two weeks to go until the referendum on Scottish independence The Arran Banner has asked representatives from both sides of the argument to put forward their case for Scotland's future.

Better Together

On 18 September we will make the most important political decision we will ever be asked to make. We will decide whether we want to remain part of the third largest economy in Europe and the sixth biggest economy in the world or step into the unknown of separation.



Donald Reid, Better Together North Ayrshire

By saying 'No Thanks' to separation we would be voting to strengthen the Scottish parliament. Since 1999, the decisions about public services, like our local schools and hospitals, are made here in Scotland by people who live and work here.

Every party that is backing a 'No' vote in September's referendum is committed to further powers for the Scottish parliament. This will allow Holyrood to make more decisions that affect the lives of the people here in Arran while, at the same time, benefiting from being part of something bigger.

We also know that being part of something bigger brings benefits too. By pooling and sharing our resources across the whole of the UK, we are better placed to pay for pensions and benefits, get young people into work and meet the big challenges we face as a society. It's the best of both worlds.

People on Arran, and across

Scotland, are living longer. While that is to be welcomed it does mean we will reach a stage where there is a bigger proportion of people of retirement age and fewer people of a working age than elsewhere in the UK.

The best way to tackle that is as part of the larger UK. By spreading the responsibility across 63 million people in the UK wide, rather than just the five million in Scotland, it is easier for us to support pensioners in Arran in good times and the bad.

Separation is an unnecessary and costly risk. After two years of waiting, Alex Salmond still hasn't given us straight answers on what separation means for pensions, for the funding of public services and for the pound.

Perhaps we shouldn't be too surprised. After all, we know that the cost of our weekly shop will increase because the supermarkets have told us; we know that without the pound it would cost more to borrow so mortgage payments and credit card bills would go up; and we know that our energy bills would go up by hundreds of pounds for every household. It's the experts who are saying this.

The vote on 18 September is a clear choice. We can either vote for the best of both worlds - with a strong Scottish parliament, with the guarantee of more powers backed up by the strength,



security and stability of being part of the UK - or step into the uncertainty of independence with a much higher cost of living.

Hard working people here in Arran will be dismayed at the prospect of having to pay more for their shopping and their household bills. Alex Salmond is asking us to take an enormous and expensive gamble that we just don't have to take.

We can have the best of both worlds for Scotland within the UK. That means more powers for Scotland without taking on all the risks of independence. For the sake of families in Arran and across Scotland we should say 'No Thanks' to independence on 18 September.

Yes Scotland

Over the last two years, Scotland has been alive with ideas and inspiration. Arran hosted visits from visionaries such as Lesley Riddoch, Patrick Harvie MSP, Derek Bateman and Philippa Whitford. We found new ways to communicate through social media and effective means of being seen and heard where the conventional media, press and BBC, are hostile to the proposition of independence.

People previously uninterested in public affairs saw the opportunity for change. They have debated, knocked on doors, distributed leaflets, marched, and written about their hopes. The 'Yes' move-

ment has been the biggest grass-roots community campaign Scotland has ever seen. Politicians have taken a back seat. So it was no surprise during the second Salmond v Darling TV debate that the most arresting question came from a member of the audience: 'If we are 'better together', why are we not better together already?'

Our neighbours among the small nations of northern Europe, like Norway, Finland, Iceland and Ireland, value independence. They shape their own futures. We are stuck with government from London, remote and out of step with our aspirations. During the 40 boom years of North Sea oil, Norway established a sovereign wealth fund of some £500 billion for future generations. The UK squandered similar wealth on infrastructure projects in the South East of England, on foreign wars, lining the pockets of the government's rich friends, on weapons of mass destruction, and bailing out failing banks.

We have an antiquated, centralised system of government, controlled by a privileged Eton and Oxford educated clique.

Politicians rejected at elections are given a fresh start as 'lords' at our expense. With 26 Church of England bishops, male and elderly, sitting in the House of Lords, the UK is one of two countries in the world where un-elected clerics make laws. The other is Iran.

The UK is among the most unequal and unfair countries

in the developed world.

These two amazing years of referendum campaigning have allowed us to examine who we are and to compare our situation with self-governing countries. We question why a massively wealthy elite seeks to undermine our confidence and spread fear.

As politics south of the border lurches to the right, we need to take responsibility for our own problems. After a 'Yes' result on 18 September, we will be able to put aside the empty threats about 'customs posts at the border', being denied use of our own currency, and the absurdity of Scotland being rejected from the EU.

We can save our NHS and guarantee it, if we wish, in a modern constitution. We can re-establish a new relationship with our sister nations across the British Isles, based on cooperation, respect and trust. We can create a Scotland that is fairer, greener and more prosperous.

Independence is normal. Sixty nations have become independent from the UK in the last century. Not a single one of them has wanted to turn the clock back. Canada and New Zealand, for example, are both doing OK! So will Scotland. We are already seeing 'the early days of a better nation'.



Dr Malcolm Kerr, Yes Scotland Arran

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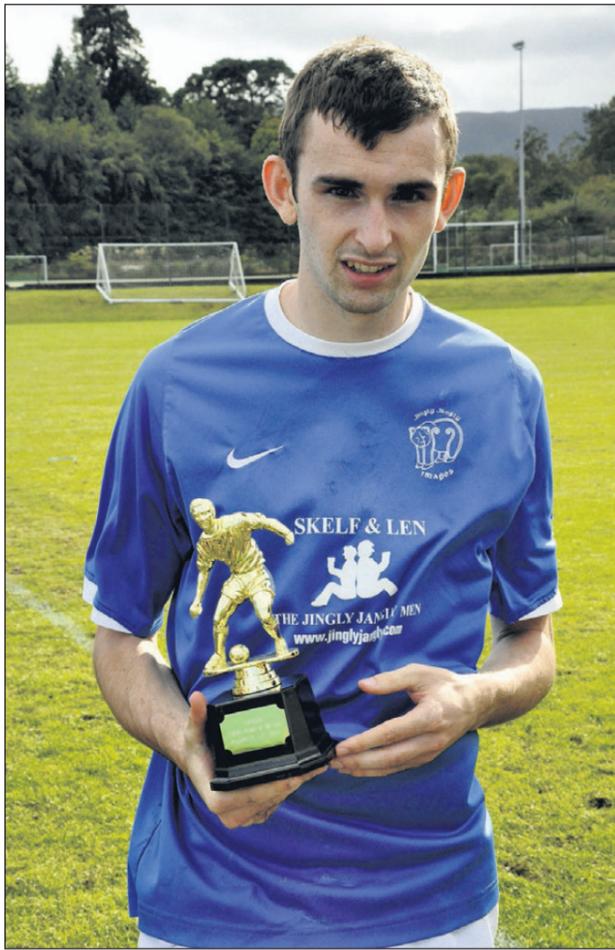
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Football awards handed out



Brodick's Christopher 'Babbies' MacNeil, left, is congratulated on being named player of the year by Neil McKechnie of Southend. 20_b36ba107



Brodick's Archie McNicol with his golden boot for the most goals scored throughout the season. He was also named runner-up for player of the year. 20_b36ba103



Young player of the year was given to Donald Park of Southend. 20_b36ba105

The Arran football season came to a close on Saturday with the players of the year being announced.

After a successful season that sadly ended with a defeat in the Arran Football Cup on Saturday afternoon, Brodick's Christopher 'Babbies' MacNeil was named player of the year.

Voted for by players from all five of the island's teams, Brodick's Archie McNicol was named runner-up for player of the year, as well as receiving a golden boot for the

most goals scored this summer. Danny Head, league chairman, announced the winners on Saturday afternoon after Brodick were defeated 1-0 in the Arran Football Cup Final by Southend.

Lamlash's James Todd received the runner-up golden boot for the high number of goals he scored this season.

Southend's Donald Park was named young player of the year after a fantastic season.

The runner-up was Peter Gillson of Northend who played really well all summer.



Runner-up for most goals scored this season was Lamlash's James Todd. 20_b36ba102



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Survey aimed at improving children's well-being

All the interviewers have personal ID badges

A survey is being carried out on Arran this month to gather information which will be used to improve children's well-being.

Members of the survey team will visit households on the island this week as part of a project being carried out by North Ayrshire Community Planning Partnership.

The aim is to extend the level of understanding of children's needs and improve on

how these can be met more effectively by community partners like North Ayrshire Council and NHS Ayrshire and Arran.

Parents of children aged up to eight will be interviewed during this visit which will focus on Brodick, Lamlash, Whiting Bay and Shiskine, although interviewers may also contact parents willing to participate in Lochranza.

Participation is on an en-

tirely voluntary basis and the results of the survey will remain confidential.

A council spokesman said: 'This voluntary and confidential survey will give leaders of children's services a clearer insight into what areas of child, family and community life are strong and healthy – and which areas could be better supported.'

'All the interviewers have personal ID badges with their photographs attached.'

'They will also be able to provide full telephone details for the people heading up the project, as well as the council's chief executive and the local police on Arran. Parents will be able to check who's who there and then.'

'At the end of the survey, the researchers will ask for a telephone number. Please be aware that no one has to provide any contact details if they don't want to.'

'Everything that's said in the survey will be kept completely confidential. None of the answers to any of the questions will identify any of the participants or their children.' No survey answers will be passed on to anyone, including those at the local council or social services.

The information is being gathered by BMG Research, a national company with specific expertise in this area.

BMG have already carried out similar surveys in Perthshire and Renfrewshire and are aiming to engage with 600 households in this area.



Mary MacKinlay with her Banner in Vancouver.

The Arran Banner on holiday

Since 'The Banner on Holiday' feature started seven years ago, we have been absolutely overwhelmed by the number of fantastic photographs of our readers that have come through the doors.

The latest is from Mary MacKinlay of Brodick who took her Banner to Canada when visiting family in Vancouver.

Arran residents and holidaymakers are making sure that they pack their copy of the Banner to keep up with local issues when they go on holiday.

Don't forget to pack your copy of the Banner if you are going on holiday. It could be from Torremolinos or Timbuktu, it really doesn't matter; we would love to see your photographs. When space permits we will continue to print the photos that we have on file.

Please send them to us either by email to editor@arranbanner.co.uk or to The Arran Banner, Douglas Centre, Brodick KA27 8AJ.

Dog owners urged to ditch the dirt

The UK's seven million dogs produce over 1,000 tonnes of excrement every day – and sadly not all of it is disposed of sensibly.

It is little wonder that in recent research into public attitudes carried out by the charity Keep Scotland Beautiful around seven in ten people rated dog fouling as the item on our streets, parks and beaches that bothered them most.

As many as 64 per cent of Keep Scotland Beautiful campaign supporters who carried out clean up events encountered dog fouling.

This year the charity is asking volunteers in North Ayrshire and across the country to conduct a simple survey of their local park, paths, beaches or woods between September 1 and 14 to highlight the issue in their area.

Local people and groups are asked to carry out the survey and return it to the charity by post or online.

In addition there will be awards for Ditch the Dirt Heroes who tackle the issue of dog fouling or run a local campaign.

And the Dogs Trust is supporting the campaign with a supply of poo bags which can be accessed by emailing info@cleanup-scotland.com

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McLELLAN ARTS FESTIVAL 2014

The McLellan Arts Festival on Arran runs from August 15th to September 7th.

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"and when the seed was sown, the harvest was getherth"
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Arran duo to make flying delivery to Nepal

The boiler purifies the water reducing the risk of disease and saves fuel

A couple from Arran are to undertake a remarkable charity mercy mission.

Zabdi Keen and Maurice Geraghty from Flying Fever, Arran's paragliding school, have been challenged by Ayrshire inventor David Osborne to deliver his water purifying invention the 'Jompy boiler' to remote villages in Nepal by paraglider.

The flying aces will make the trip to Nepal this winter.

His invention enables water to be boiled over a naked flame whilst cooking at the same time. This purifies the water reducing the risk of disease and saves fuel.

He came to Arran for a tandem flight and whilst flying high above Catacol he thought of the potential to take his invention to remote areas by paraglider which didn't have vehicle access.

He realised he had met Zabdi before when she had arranged for him to give a demonstration of his invention. He had made popcorn and boiled water at the Corrie Hall at an Arran Mountain Festival talk.

She had bought one of his boilers for a charity in Africa.

David, who lives in Troon, was back on Arran last week to give a demonstration of the Jompy boiler on Brodick beach and left a bag of 20

Jompys for Zabdi and Maurice to deliver by paraglider in Nepal.

The Jompy consists of light-weight aluminium metal tubing that has been bent into a flat coil, with the ends joined together side-by-side, resembling a frying pan shape.

The user attaches a water source to one end of the tubing—in a camping situation, this could even be a water bladder—and the water then flows through the coil before exiting from the remaining end of the tubing.

Maximise

This allows the user to maximize the value of heat. If they light a fire or burn any type of fuel with an open flame, the Jompy can be placed over it.

Water flowing through it begins to rapidly boil, heating the coil up, which allows it to be used like a stovetop burner for cooking. And most importantly, that water is purified in the process.

The hot water exiting the Jompy can be used for bathing, food washing, additional cooking tasks or laundry, or simply allowed to cool and used for drinking water.

The Jompy comes in three sizes the largest version can boil a litre of water in as little as 45 seconds. The smallest can be used over a small camping stove.



Inventor David Osbourne (left) hands over the Jompy boilers to Maurice Geraghty and Zabdi Keen.



The Jompy boiler.



David gives a demonstration of the Jompy boiler at Brodick beach.

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'Yes' or 'No', it's an historic decision

There may still be two weeks to go until the vote on Scottish independence but it is difficult to write about anything but the campaign this week.

Everywhere you turn on Arran huge white 'Yes' signs can be seen on the sides of houses, in gardens and even in the middle of rolling green fields.

'No thanks' posters are also becoming more prevalent on cars and in windows as the 'silent' no voters find their voice.

Whatever side of the argument you are on, this is the most momentous decision the Scottish electorate has ever been asked to make.

Six simple words - Should Scotland be an independent country? - will seal the nation's fate.

The subject for debate is whether or not Scotland's 307-year-old political union with England is still tenable in the 21st century.

For Malcolm Kerr of 'Yes Arran', writing on page four of *The Banner* this week, the argument boils down to the need for Scotland's future to be firmly in Scotland's hands.

For Donald Reid of unionist group *Better Together*, Scotland remaining part of the United Kingdom represents the best of both worlds.

First Minister Alex Salmond was right to encourage as many people as possible to register to vote before the deadline this week.

Anyone on Arran who doesn't bother to cast a vote in this month's referendum is opting out of having a say in this historic opportunity.

There were of course big decisions taken over Scotland in the 1700s, when the Union of the Parliaments was formed and the population was divided over the Jacobite rebellion. But there was no mass democracy back then.

No matter the outcome of the referendum, it will be a momentous occasion as it marks the first time 16 and 17-year-olds will vote in a major poll in Britain.

It doesn't matter how they vote, as many young people have been keen to get involved in the debate and have brought an energy and vitality to both campaigns.

It has also been said that the independence campaign has brought disenfranchised and unsatisfied voters back to politics.

It remains to be seen whether they will maintain an interest, but one legacy of the debate could be extending the lower voting age across all UK votes.

'Yes' or 'No', this is an historic moment for Scotland. Make sure your voice is heard.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

'And Jesus began to teach them, saying: 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will be shown mercy.' (Matthew 5:1)

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Letters to the Editor



Save Arran milk!

Sir,
Our milk is the tastiest creamiest real milk - I hate all the other options, I like the cream on top.

If milk can last a fortnight without going off then there is something wrong with it! The latest BBC Horizon programme shows that we need bacteria to stop allergies and illnesses.

I have noticed that during the summer in all the island's Co-ops that Arran milk kept running out by midday and that all that was on the shelf were lots of alternatives or only semi-skimmed green milk.

Please Arran Dairies keep supplying Arran milk - it could become a speciality like Jersey milk.

What will happen when the ferry doesn't sail if we lose our own island milk production?

What about the environmental travel miles used.

It is time that the supermarket control of false milk prices was forbidden and farmers were paid the right price for their milk.

Also the primary school gives the kids semi-skimmed - its not just the fat that is removed it is lots of the goodness.

Come on islanders, change back to Arran milk and persuade Arran Dairies to continue producing the best tasting milk in Scotland!

Yours,
Zabdi Keen Brodick

Misleading pamphlet

Sir,
The Arran branch of the Yes campaign for an independent Scotland has circulated a leaflet entitled 'Arran says Yes'.

This brochure is both presumptuous and misleading. At best it confirms that 107 named individuals resident on Arran will vote for an independent Scotland come the referendum.

The simplistic pamphlet fails to address any of the important issues such as currency, long and short term oil

revenues and membership of the European Union which would confront an independent nation.

One policy of the Scottish government is retention of EU membership.

The Yes campaign encourages voters to think that the country will sail into the EU as a successor state along with the remainder of the UK.

If one believes this then both Scotland and what remains of the UK would succeed to all treaty obligations with the EU, enjoy the rebate programmes presently available to the UK and utilise the opt out provisions previously negotiated by the UK Government including continued use of the pound sterling and retaining passports and border controls.

As far as an application for membership is concerned Scotland would no doubt meet the political criteria in relation to democracy, the rule of law and human rights.

Meeting the economic criteria might be a little more difficult since it involves the capability to cope with competitive pressures and market forces.

Further, it is a condition that a member of the EU adopts the euro as the currency. First Minister Alex Salmond insists that, with independence, Scotland will retain the pound but, in the absence of a central bank to back it up, the country would require to build up its own multi-billion pound currency reserves. That would take many years and seriously delay EU membership.

The former European Commission President Jose Manuel Barroso described automatic entry to the EU by an independent Scotland as 'extremely difficult, if not impossible'.

This view has since been endorsed by the new President Jean-Claude Juncker. Presently six countries are in the queue for membership. Iceland, not a poor country but independent, applied for membership in 2009 and is still waiting for approval from all 28 member states

who are required to consent to membership. The general view is that Scotland will require to join the queue. Despite this the Scottish government recently issued a booklet entitled 'Empowering Scotland's Island Communities- Your Introductory Guide'.

This document will be of particular interest to Arran residents offering promotions such as 'greater island representation and access within the EU' and 'additional funding for island beef producers, and separate grants for crofters, in implementing the EU Common Agricultural Policy'.

A major shortcoming in all of this is that Scotland will not be a member of the EU on 26 March 2016 the preferred date for independence.

There will therefore be no representation, no access and no separate grants or additional funding.

Indeed there will be no funding at all under the Common Agricultural Policy until there is EU membership. The electorate on Arran should be aware of all of this when voting in the referendum.

Yours,
Jamie Gilmour Brodick

It's big business

Sir,
In reply to Anne Wilkinson's letter two weeks ago there are many reasons why we will continue with a currency union and therefore no need for a Plan B.

Some are complicated and open to debate; impact on UK balance of payments, probable weakening of Sterling and resultant devaluation of the pound etc.

But here's one big reason that most folk will understand: The Co-op, Asda, Sainsbury's, Tesco, Morrison's, Waitrose, John Lewis, Debenhams, BHS, Marks&Spencer, TKMaxx, B&Q, Homebase, Jewsons, Currys, Argos, Boots, Waterstones, BP, Shell...need I go on, get the picture?

All of the above businesses are in most towns and cities. Scotland represents a huge

component to their portfolio. Not one of these businesses will find it acceptable to incur transaction costs with resultant damage to their business and profit.

The notion of passing on the cost to customers would be met with absolute glee by other businesses, who, many being pan-European traders, would see their market share rocket! So, not an option.

If any politician or party attempts to prevent Scotland sharing the pound, all of the businesses above, along with the rest, will lobby the Westminster government.

Now, if there is one lobby group UK will listen to...it's big business.

Vote no if it's in your heart. If your reason for no is, Scotland is too wee, too poor or too stupid then prepare to be challenged!

Finally, if your reason for voting no includes the words Salmond or pride...I wouldn't give you the time of day.

Yours,
John Dowens Lochranza

Hospitable Arran

Sir,
After an 'exile' of 18 years in England it is very gratifying to be back on Arran.

I have found so many things which compare more than favourably with situations even in a small town in England.

The people are friendlier and are prepared to chat as they are much more relaxed, there is not the rush and lack of care for other people.

I was actually starting to think that I was invisible as so many people jostled me.

What surprised me most of all was the exemplary behaviour of young people travelling on the bus.

Another wonderful experience was when I found I had left a new hand-knitted sweater on a seat in Blackwaterfoot and six hours later a very kind young lady from The Kinloch Hotel found it and phoned to tell me.

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Arran pupils told to be proud of island

Pupils honoured at annual prizegiving

'Never give up' - that was the advice given to the pupils of Arran High School last Thursday night as they gathered for the annual award ceremony.

Guest speaker Mary Margaret Brown, a urologist and former pupil of Arran High School, gave a rousing and very witty speech in which she spoke fondly of her time at the school and of the teachers, many of whom are still there, who helped her to reach her goal of studying medicine.

Thankful

'When you leave the island be thankful that you went to Arran High School,' she concluded, 'and

most of all be proud that you come from Arran.'

These wise words were passed on to the two main winners on the night, Imogen Downing and Michael Smith, who jointly received the Dux award.

Worthy winners

Both S5 pupils received five As in their Higher examinations and were worthy winners.

New headmaster Barry Smith said he was delighted to have taken the helm at such a 'great school'.

He praised the hard work of the pupils and said that the aim of the evening was to recognise not just academic achievement but also

sporting and community success too.

Award winners were as follows- Sports champions - junior: Ellie Ewing and Megan Hamill, Innes Thorborn. Intermediate: Charley Weir, Cameron Ross-Bain. Senior: Lyle Bunyan, Emma Shaw. Golf champion: Jack Simmons. Young musician of the year: Iain Clarke. Young singer of the year: Olivia Barker. Young traditional musician of the year: Fraser Blain.

Duais Feis Arainn trophy: contribution to Scottish culture: Finlay Murchie. Nicola McConnell trophy for contribution to the music department: Fraser Blain. Heather

Gough award for speech and drama: Eilidh Blair. Rotary Youth Speaks competition: Sarah Jenkins, Sophie Corbett, Ceile Swinton-Boyle. Charles Russell Trophy for technical education in S5/S6: Euan Bone.

Admiral Group Trophy for business education in S5/S6: Cara Miller. Arran Dairies Hospitality trophy for S5/S6: Kirsty Stewart. Argyll College 'Skills for Work' student of the year: Robert Thomson. Buchanan Prize for essay writing in S4 English: Harry Anderson. AR Humphreys award for English in S5: Fraser Blain. Andrew S Johnson award for mathemat-

ics: S2 - Alison Provan and Trefor Goronwy; S5 - Imogen Downing. Ian Watt trophy for science in S5: Finlay Murchie. Brian Miller trophy for social subjects in S5/S6: Fraser Blain. Lamlash Millennium Cup for Citizenship: Debbie Armstrong and Cherie Ferguson. JD McKinnon prize for further education or apprenticeship; Debbie Armstrong, Ryan Armstrong, Grant Ashley, Gemma Bennett, Hannah Ross and Calum Stewart. Arran Society of Glasgow endeavour award: S1 - Rachel Brown; S2 - Ryan Wilson; S3 - Lori Young; S4 - Alyssa Colwell; S5 - James Thomson; S6 - Rowena Liddy.



Alyssa Colwell received the Margaret Wright trophy for achievement in her S4 exams. 20_b36ahs04



The Argyll College 'Skills for Work' student of the year was Robert Thomson. 20_b36ahs14



Jack Simmons was the winner of the school's golf championship. 20_b36ahs07

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The Arran Dairies Hospitality Trophy was given to Kirsty Stewart. 20_b36ahs06



Sarah Jenkins and Ceile Swinton-Boyle winners of the Rotary Youth Speaks competition. Sophie Corbett was unable to attend. 20_b36ahs13



Fraser Blain, Iain Clarke, Finlay Murchie and Olivia Barker - four

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The Dux award was jointly awarded to Imogen Downing and Michael Smith, who both received five As in their Higher examinations. 20_b36ahs02



Three of the school's sports champions: Bunyan and Emma Shaw. 20_b36ahs



Debbie Armstrong, left, Calum Stewart, Ryan Armstrong and Gemma Bennett - all winners of the JD McKinnon prizes for further education or apprenticeship. 20_b36ahs10



Imogen Downing, A Andrew S Johnson given the Buchanan

award ceremony 2014



For very talented young musicians. 20_b36ahs01



Cherie Ferguson and Debbie Armstrong were given the Lamlash Millennium Cup for Citizenship. 20_b36ahs03



Eilidh Blair was presented with the Heather Gough award for speech and drama. 20_b36ahs12



Winners: Ellie Ewing, left, Lyle
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Arran Society of Glasgow Endeavour Award winners:
Alyssa Colwell, left, Ryan Wilson, and Rachel Brown.
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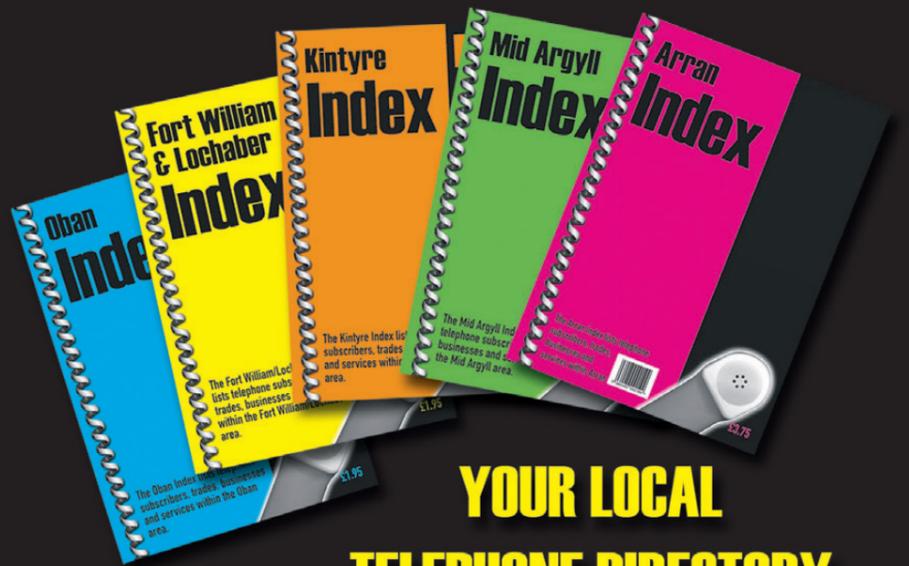


Alison Provan and Trefor Goronwy all received an award for mathematics. Harry Anderson, right, was
Prize for essay writing in S4 English. 20_b36ahs05



The Admiral Group trophy for business education in S5/S6 was awarded to Cara Miller. 20_b36ahs09

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Death of former North Ayrshire Council chief executive

Bernard Devine 1946 - 2014

Tributes have been paid to North Ayrshire Council's first chief executive Bernard Devine who died last Wednesday at the age of 68.

Bernard came to the area in 1986 when he was appointed chief executive of the former Cunninghame District Council, of which Arran formed a key part.

Bernard, who lived in West

Kilbride, was the council's most senior officer for 18 years, transferring from the old authority to the new North Ayrshire Council in 1995.

It was a challenging period for Scotland's local authorities which were going through reorganisation for the second time in two decades.

Bernard oversaw a raft of changes that came with the

transfer of responsibilities from the old regional councils to the new unitary authorities.

Through unsettling times he confidently led North Ayrshire Council through the reorganisation and into the next millennium.

By the time he retired in 2004, he had become one of Scotland's longest serving chief executives.

A former colleague at North Ayrshire Council has cherished memories of a 'quiet but caring man'.

She said: 'His door was always open. You could never disturb him.'

Great ability

'Staff could walk straight into his office and discuss anything that was bothering them. He had a great ability to put people at ease.'

Elma Murray, who has been chief executive at North Ayrshire Council for five years, worked with Bernard in the early years of the authority.

She said: 'I was saddened to hear the news that Bernard had died. I had worked with him in the council's IT department in Irvine between 1995 and 1998.'

'I have very fond memories



Bernard Devine, former chief executive of North Ayrshire Council, has died.

of him. He was someone that I was able to learn a lot from.'

Bernard leaves two sons and a daughter - James, Kenneth and Susan.

The family was struck by tragedy some years ago when elder daughter Anne died suddenly at the age of 29. His wife Alice died in 2006.

Brodict Bowling Club results

Monday 4 August, John Robinson and Colin Haggarty (+7).

Wednesday 6 August, Peter McCalla, Ann Hollingworth and Andy McCrindle (+12).

Saturday 9 August, Tony Wooden, Roger Peacock and Colin Haggarty (+6).

Monday 11 August, Tony Wooden and Robert Crawford (+15).

Wednesday 13 August, Peter McCalla and Andy McCrindle (+12).

Monday 18 August, Charlie Weir and John Kerr (+10).

Wednesday 20 August, Collin Haggarty, Ann Whatam and Charles Hendry (+8).

Saturday 23 August, Tony Wooden, John McConnachie and Jim Gourlay (+10).

Monday 25 August, Charlie Weir and John Lauder (+16).

Monday 27 August, Jim Gourlay and John Lauder (+13).

Saturday 30 August, John Lauder and Charlie Weir (+6).

Arran Bridge Club results

The results of the tournament on Monday 1 September were as follows: N/S

1 Tricia Martin and David Campbell, 2 Janette McBride and John Baraclough, 3 Douglas and Margaret Bruce.

E/W 1 Linda Trickett and Elizabeth McKellar, 2 Janie Maclure and Anne McKelvie, 3 Jessmay and Jim Peacock.

Lochranza and Catacol 200 club

The winners of the August draw were: First prize Bill Scott and second prize Celia Lowe.

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Concert to mark 125 years of St Molios

As part of the 125th anniversary celebrations for St Molios Church there will be a concert given by the young folk of Shiskine.

The concert will be on Thursday 11 September at 7pm in the church.

There will be piano, trumpet, saxophone, clarinet and more, performed by both primary and secondary pupils.

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Jellyfish stings can be dangerous warns NHS

With an increase in the volume and size of jelly fish on local shores Ayrshire and Arran NHS have issued advice.

A report by the Marine Conservation Society this week has warned that jellyfish sightings off UK waters

could reach a record high this year.

A metre-long jellyfish was discovered on Kilmory beach by Carol Dow from Edinburgh last month, and is believed to be a barrel jellyfish. These particular jellyfish,

the size of dustbin lids, have been spotted in large numbers on the Cornish coast, and now Arran.

The species has a thick rubbery dome the size of a dustbin lid, with cauliflower-like tentacles hanging down as

much as 6ft (1.9m). They are attracted to plankton which is in bloom close to shore. The barrel jellyfish is the biggest found in British waters.

Scotland's national telehealth organisation, NHS 24, is advising people to be prepared and to seek advice on dealing with marine life stings.

NHS 24 medical director Professor George Crooks said: 'Not all jellyfish sting but some of them have long, thin tentacles that trail underneath them.'

'These tentacles are covered with small poisonous sacks which can produce a nasty sting if touched.'

'If you are unfortunate enough to be stung, most jellyfish stings are mild and don't require treatment, or you can treat them yourself.'

'Any remaining tentacles should be removed using tweezers or a clean stick (wear gloves if they're available). Applying an ice pack to

the affected area will help reduce pain and inflammation.'

He added: 'Remember that vinegar is no longer recommended for treating jellyfish stings because it may make things worse by activating unfired stinging cells. The use of other substances, such as alcohol and baking soda, should also be avoided. Applying shaving cream to the affected area will help prevent the spread of toxins.'

'However, dial 999 if there are severe symptoms, such as difficulty breathing, chest pain, or if a large or sensitive area of the body such as the face or genitals has been stung.'

Professor Crooks added: 'The best prevention is to try and avoid jellyfish. If you are walking along the beach, be careful not to touch jellyfish that have been washed onto the shore. They can still be poisonous so try to keep curious kids and dogs away from them.'

New session for Corrie SWRI

The first meeting of Corrie and Sannox SWRI for the 2014/2015 session will be held in the village hall on Thursday 11 September at 2pm.

This is the start of the 90th anniversary year, the first meeting of Corrie and Sannox SWRI was held in Corrie School on the Thursday nearest to the full moon in October 1924.

The first speaker for this session will be Northend First Responder Chris Trill who will be talking about defibrillators, something unthinkable to the predecessors 90 years ago.

The committee will be providing a good tea, and the competition is for something from your handbag.

New members are very welcome to come along.

Missing cat

A Lamlash woman has appealed for help to find her lost cat. Her black cat called Stan was last seen at Cordon on 26 July. She says he is very affectionate, but very shy and has asked anyone who may have taken in a cat fitting that description to contact Anne on 600278.

Shiskine pupils grow their lunches



The children of Shiskine Primary, together with enormous help from Heather Munro and Donald Robertson have been growing vegetables in the school garden. School cook, Jacqui Rankin, is delighted to see the interest displayed by the children and hopes that by growing their own vegetables it will encourage healthy eating, not only in Shiskine but at Kilmory and Pirnmill schools who are also sharing these vegetables. Some of the children are pictured with the food harvested for that day's lunch.

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The approach of autumn

While this August was a little cooler than August 2013, the warm, generally dry summer continued.

Towards the end of the month, with lower temperatures some nights, there was more than a hint of the approach of autumn.

Having said that, summer visitors were still to the fore including family groups of the following: willow warbler at Strathwillan on the 4th, chiffchaff at Largymore on the 13th, spotted flycatcher at High Kildonan on the 14th, common sandpiper at

Blackwaterfoot on the 21st and whitethroat at Corriecraivie on the 24th.

In addition, there were 50 swallow at Kilpatrick Farm on the 20th and 70 house martin at Cordon on the 22nd.

Please, let me know when you last see a swallow this summer.

Other signs of successful breeding this month included: a pair of mute swan in Blackwaterfoot with six large young on the 7th, a crèche of 28 eider off Cosyden on the 8th, a family of moorhen at Braehead Quarry Pond on the 11th, a fledged golden eagle flying over Lochranza on the 21st and widespread groups of house sparrow including up to 30 in both Lochranza and North Feorline on the 29th.

In August, breeding is coming to an end, and after breeding a number of species begin to flock together, some in preparation for migration.

These included: 108 lesser



This house sparrow on the Cortadaria was taken by John Baraclough in Strathwillan



Jim MacKenzie captured this Manx shearwater when it seemed like thousands were passing the island in August.

black-backed gull at Sandbraes on the 17th, 1,000 Manx shearwater off Largymore on the 20th, 100 gannet in Brodick Bay on the 23rd, 134 shag off Pladda on the 23rd, 80 golden plover at Machriewaterfoot on the 27th, 70 red-breasted merganser off Cosyden on 27th, 80 starling at Kilpatrick on the 27th and 120 kittiwake and 30 redshank at Sandbraes on the 30th.

Migration

All around the coast were signs of birds on migration, including a whimbrel in Auchenhew Bay on the 1st, 12 dunlin at Drumadoon Point on the 7th, a knot at Drumadoon Point on the 16th, a greenshank at Blackwaterfoot on the 20th, two wheatear at Cosyden on the 27th, five Arctic tern at Drumadoon Point on the 28th and three sandwich tern at Sandbraes on the 30th.

Other birding highlights this month included: a yellowhammer at North Feorline on

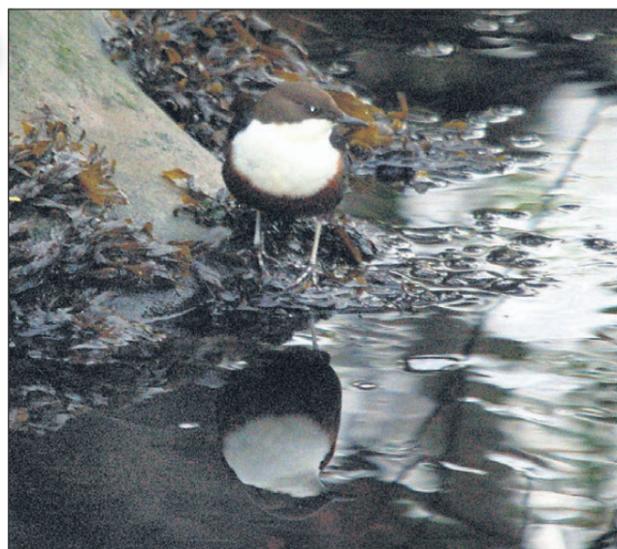


Dennis Morrison took this picture of a yellowhammer. These birds used to breed on Arran but it is an unusual August record.

the 2nd, a common crossbill in High Kildonan on the 2nd, nine black-headed gull at Sandbraes on the 17th, a goosander off Cosyden on the 27th and a dipper at Glenashdalewater Foot on the 30th.

September sees the start of the peak migration season when many birds are on the move. It is the time to expect the unexpected. I look forward to hearing from you.

Enjoy your birding. Please send any bird notes with 'what, when, where' to me at Kilpatrick Kennels, Kilpatrick, Blackwaterfoot, KA27 8EY, or e mail me at james.cassels@virgin.net . I look forward to hearing from you. For more information on birding on Arran purchase the 'Arran Bird Atlas 2007-2012' as well as the 'Arran Bird Report 2013' and visit this website www.arranbirding.co.uk



This Dipper was photographed by Arthur Duncan. These birds move to river mouths as autumn approaches.

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Final stage?

Arran Coaches will cease to exist at the end of this month.

The company, which was Arran's only bus service for around 20 years, will be taken over by Perth based Stagecoach.

Arran Coaches will come under the auspices of Western Scottish which itself was bought out by Stagecoach this year.

Road tax reprieve

Heavy goods vehicle operators on Arran, and other islands, will continue to pay only £150 per year in vehicle excise duty, according to MP Brian Wilson.

It was earlier this year that The Banner reported that a tightening up of the regulations could mean that island hauliers could have to pay up to £2,400 per vehicle.

This was in response to mainland operators who suggested some firms were using an island base, such as Arran, to avoid the full charge as they have no load testing stations.

Last week, however, it was decided to continue with the lower charges for island firms.

Donald Bannatyne of Arran Haulage said he was obviously pleased that the higher charge seemed less likely but not overjoyed as the threat remained.

First call out

The new Corriecravie fire engine was called out on Wednesday to its first domestic emergency.

A Calor gas heater at Glenside Cottage, Kilmory went on fire and spread to the curtains before finally setting the television alight.

The fire brigade was quickly on the scene and able to extinguish the flames.

New substation

Scottish Hydro Electric is to spend £400,000 building a new substation in Whiting Bay.

The existing outdoor substation will be replaced with an indoor type with the aim of improving reliability of the switchgear.

Commando reunion

This weekend sees another commando reunion on Arran.

Although fewer of these old soldiers are able to travel to the island each year, they have been coming since the mid 1980s to mark the training of the 11th (Scottish) Commando and relive old times.

Low flying planes

Low flying military aircraft are not unfamiliar over Arran, but two on Thursday morning seemed exceptionally low.

On this occasion The Banner staff actually went outside to look and feared for the men in the Tornado fighter-bombers.

That evening it was distressing to hear on the news that a Tornado had crashed near Lochearnhead killing both men on board - almost certainly this was one of those which had flown over the island only minutes earlier.

Creamery changes

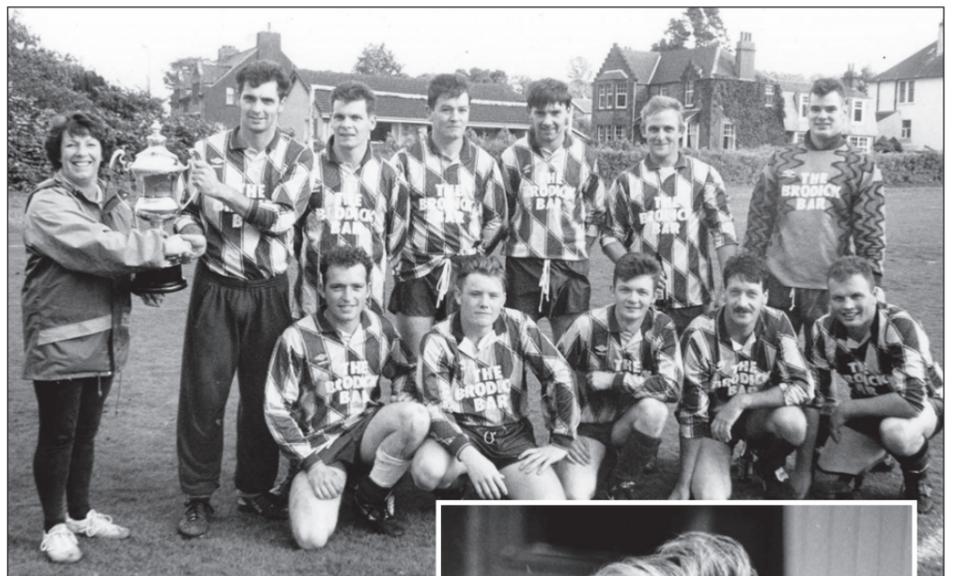
Neil McLean is to retire from the post as manager of Torrylinn Creamery after 42 years as a cheese maker, 33 years of which were as manager.

Brought up in Stranraer he comes from three generations of cheese makers and learnt the trade soon after leaving school.

Neil said modestly: 'There has been a lot of changes in cheese making over the years.'



Children from all six playgroups on the island came along to enjoy a fun day in Brodick. b36twe01



Sheena Miller presents the Ann Miller Cup to the Arran Select Team who beat newly crowned champions Shiskine in an eight-ball blitz. b36twe04



This splendid Wendy House built at Rosaburn House by Steve Garraway and Iain Leitch is now making its way down to a women's refuge in Cambridgeshire for children of the women staying there. b36twe03



After 42 years at Torrylinn Creamery, Neil McLean is to retire as manager. b36twe02

What's on

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Trout Fly Fishing Loch Garbad, boat & bank fishing 9am-Dusk
 Brodick Castle, Garden Open Open Mon-Sat 10am - 5pm, Sun 12.30-4pm
 Arran Brewery 2pm
 Arran Brewery tour Rosaburn, Brodick, 10.30am - 4.30pm
 Arran Heritage Museum Open all day
 Lamlash Tennis Courts/Putting Green

Saturday 6th September

Army Cadets Auchrannie Road 11am - 1 pm.
 Over 21s Disco Ormidale Hotel, 10pm
 Family Games Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm-4pm
 Lamlash Bowling Club Rink game Lamlash bowling green, 7pm
 Fun in the pool Auchrannie Spa pool, 4-5pm
 RNLI Shop Lamlash Pier, 2pm - 4pm
 Live music Fiddlers, Brodick from 9.30pm
 Brodick Bowling Club Rink game Brodick Bowling Green, 2pm
 Whiting Bay Bowling Club Whiting Bay Bowling Green, 2pm
 Blackwaterfoot bowling club rink game Blackwaterfoot bowling club, 1.45pm
 Film 'Shell' McLellan Arts Festival Corrie Hall, 8pm
 Yes Scotland Drop in Cafe Ormidale Pavilion, Brodick, 12noon - 4pm

Sunday 7th September

Family Games Auchrannie Games Hall, 3pm-4pm
 Fun in the pool Auchrannie Spa Pool, 4pm-5pm
 AA Meeting Brodick church Hall, 4pm - 6pm
 Mackerel Lottery Kinloch Bar, 5pm
 Open Session - All musicians & Singers welcome Fiddlers, Brodick 2.30pm
 Live music Fiddlers, Brodick from 9.30pm
 Open music session Eden Lodge, Whiting Bay, 2pm-5pm
 Faure Requiem - McLellan Arts Arran High School, Lamlash, 7.30pm

Monday 8th September

Quiz Eden Lodge, Whiting Bay, 9pm
 Over 50s Badminton Lochranza Village Hall, 2-4pm
 Badminton Lochranza Hall, 6.30pm
 Citizens Advice Ormidale Pavilion, 9.30-1.30pm
 Morning Fitness Auchrannie Gym, 9.30-10.30am
 Table Tennis Corrie Hall 6.30pm
 Badminton Auchrannie Sports Hall, 7-9pm
 Arran Junior Football Club Ormidale Park, 6-7.30pm
 Yoga Corrie Village Hall, 11am - 12 noon
 Summer Bridge Arran High School, 6.30pm
 Lamlash Bowling Club Rink Game Lamlash Bowling Green, 7pm
 Brodick Bowling Club Rink Game Brodick Bowling Green, 6pm
 Circuit Training Auchrannie Gym, 6-7pm
 Lamlash Bowling Club Rink Game Lamlash, 7pm
 Live Music Fiddlers, Brodick, 7.30pm

Tuesday 9th September

Pop Quiz Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
 Alcoholics Anonymous Brodick Church Hall, 2pm
 Youth Club Kildonan Hall, 7pm
 Rotary club Glencloy Suite, Auchrannie, 7.15pm
 Healthy Outdoors 10am-1pm NTS Ranger Centre
 Blackwaterfoot bowling club rink game Blackwaterfoot bowling club, 1.45pm
 Session with the Arran Ceilidh Band Fiddlers, Brodick, 7.30pm
 Metafit Arran High School, 6pm
 Garden walk Brodick Castle 2pm-3.30pm
 RunArran Beginners Hospital Hill car park, Lamlash, 5.30pm
 Live Music Fiddlers, 7.30pm
 Arran Food & Craft Market Ormidale Pavilion, Brodick, 11am-3pm
 National Collective Ormidale Hotel, Brodick, 7pm
 Garden Walk
 Brodick Castle, 2pm - 3.30pm

Wednesday 10th September

Rock & Pop Bingo Ormidale Hotel 9.30pm
 Tae Kwondo Arran high School Kids-6.30-7.30pm Adults-7.30-8.30pm
 Alcoholics Anonymous Lamlash Church Hall, 8pm
 Arran Brass Rehearsal Brodick Church Hall, 7-9pm
 Yogalates Auchrannie Studio, 9.30-10.30am
 Aquafizz Auchrannie Hotel Pool, 9.45-10.30am
 Arran Heritage Museum Archives & Genealogy service 10.30-12.30 & 1.30-3.30
 Traditional & Contemporary Ballads with Mike Bailey Fiddlers, Brodick, 7.30pm
 RunArran mixed ability Auchrannie car park, 5.30pm
 Yoga-Arran Kinneil, Lamlash, 7-8.30pm
 Drift Inn Quiz Lamlash, 9pm
 Brodick Bowling Club Rink Game Brodick Bowling Green, 6pm
 Mixed Hockey Auchrannie Sports Hall 7.30-8.30pm
 Lamlash Bowling Club Rink game Lamlash bowling green, 7pm
 Back to the Bronze Age Brodick Castle, 2pm - 4pm
 Pirmill Primary Parent council Pirmill Primary School, 7pm

Thursday 11th September

Quiz Eden Lodge, 9pm
 Morning Fitness Auchrannie Gym, 9.30-10.30am
 General Knowledge Quiz Ormidale Hotel, 9pm
 Folky, Country, Bluesy Night with Cams & Friends Fiddlers, Brodick, 7.30pm
 Yoga Corrie Village Hall, 6pm - 7pm
 Bridge Club Brodick Golf Clubhouse, 7pm
 Open Music session Drift Inn, Lamlash, 9pm
 Ladies Hockey Ormidale Pavilion, 7.30-8.30pm
 RunArran Boy Auchrannie Car Park, 5.30pm
 Pilates Auchrannie gym, 6-7pm
 Paintings tour Brodick Castle, 2-3.30pm
 Country Park Volunteer Day Brodick Castle, 10am - 4pm
 Corrie & Sannox SWRI Corrie & Sannox Village Hall, 2pm

Friday 12th September

Aqua Fizz Auchrannie Hotel Pool, 9.45-10.30am
 Yogalates Auchrannie Studio, 9.30-10.30am
 Arran Youth Foundations Church Hall, Brodick 7pm-9pm
 Lochranza Kids Badminton Lochranza Hall, 6-8pm
 Lochranza Adults Badminton Lochranza Hall, 8pm
 Castle Secrets Tour Brodick Castle, 11.30 - 1pm
 Family fun night Brodick Golf Club 4.45pm
 Brodick Market Auchrannie Road, Brodick, 10-5pm



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TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE)(SCOTLAND)REGULATIONS 2013 REGULATION 20(1)

Format: Application No; Address; Proposed Development

14/00492/PP; Meadowbank, Shiskine, Brodick, Isle Of Arran; Renewal of unexpired planning permission 11/00547/PP for conversion of existing stone barn to form dwelling house.

14/00497/PP; Site To North Of Curlews, Kildonan Road, Kildonan, Brodick; Siting of permanent static caravan to rear and erection of timber enclosure.

Elma Murray
Chief Executive
Cunninghame House
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Brodick Health Centre	15.00-16.00
Monday 06 October	
Kildonan Village Hall	11.30-12.30
Shiskine Village Hall	13.00-14.00
ACVS Office, Lamlash	15.00-16.00

No appointment necessary

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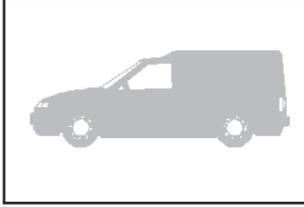
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Married at Auchrannie on Aug 23rd,
Oliver Robison & Lisa Kennard.
Both of Sussex, with Oliver born in Scotland,
& both loving Arran year on year.
*{Oliver is the son of Tommy, formerly of the old Police/
Prospect House in Whiting Bay}*



Tim Crockett graduated from Robert Gordon's University on 18th July with a BSC(Hons) 2.1 in Architectural Technology. Congratulations from all the family.

Ella McKechnie

Hellen and the family would like to thank the Rev Angus Adamson and Mrs Jean Hunter for their support and comfort over the last few months and the lovely service they conducted in Lochranza church on the 7th August.

Thank you to David and Clair Hendry for all the funeral arrangements.

A huge thank you to all the lovely carers along with Alison Currie, Ann Reid and her staff at Glen Estate who have looked after mum so well during the last few years. The paramedics and ambulance staff who were often called out day and night - thank you.

A most grateful thanks to all the doctors in the Arran Medical Group, especially Dr Greg Hamill and all the staff at the Arran War Memorial Hospital. The care and comfort provided on many occasions was well beyond the call of duty. A final thank you to all the many friends who sent cards, letters and flowers and also the donations to Arran War Memorial hospital. It has been so much appreciated.

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Sunday 7th September
Holy Communion, 11.00 am.
Mr John Roberts.
Coffee after service.

Wednesday 10th September
Pop-up Church with
Rev Simon MacKenzie
in Lagg Hotel at 12.15pm
(No service in St Margaret's church).
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CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Parishes of North Arran
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Independent but working
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Minister:

Rev Angus Adamson
Parish Assistant:
Mrs Jean Hunter:
Worship will be conducted in
the above churches at the fol-
lowing times to which
all are invited.

Sunday 7th September
Lochranza Church, 9.30am
Morning Worship.
Pirnmill Church, 10.45am,
Morning Worship.
Shiskine Church, 12noon,
Morning Worship.
Broddick Church, 10.30am
Morning Worship.
Corrie Church, 11.30am Prayer
Meeting, 11.50am
Tea and Coffee and
Fellowship, 12noon
Morning Worship.
A Service of Worship will also
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Sunday 7th September
Kilmory 10am
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(continuing)
Sunday 7th September
Morning Service, 11am
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Evening Service 6-30pm
5 Glen Road, Broddick
Prayer Meeting
Wednesday 10th Sept
at 7pm
5 Glen Road
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(Charity Number: SC014005)
Sunday 7th September
Worship will be conducted by
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Everyone most welcome.
Tea and coffee will be served
in the transept immediately
after the service; please stay and
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There will be a service in
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Sunday morning masses
9.30am and 11am

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Minister: Rev Vince Jennings
Sunday 7th September
11am Morning worship
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Pavilion, Broddick
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ARRAN FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND

Sunday 7th September
Shiskine 11am (Church on road
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Broddick 7pm (Church behind
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DEATH

WALTERS - Audrey Margaret (née Baird) Suddenly on Tuesday 26th August 2014, at Arran War Memorial Hospital, Audrey, much loved mother of Bill and Sammy, sister of Judy, mother in law to Tabitha and Johnny and Nana to India and Ruby. Funeral Service to be held on Wednesday 10th September at 11.30am at Lamlash Parish Church, Isle of Arran, to which all are welcome. Family flowers only please.



Arran Ladies Golf Union

The final of the island championship will take place at Corrie Golf Club on Sunday 7 September at 1pm. It will be contested by Susan Butchard and Viv Parks and spectators will be made most welcome to give their support. Good luck to both finalists.

Lamlash Golf Club

Ladies: Wednesday 27 August, Medal 5 and Thistle Brooch, CSS 64, 8 played. 1 Sheena Murchie 80-14=66 BIH, 2 Liz Sinclair 83-17=66, Scratch S Murchie 80.

Last week the Lamlash golf photo caption unfortunately had the names the wrong way round.

June Richardson was the winner (holding the trophy) and Jo Hastings was the runner up.

Gents: Thursday 28 August, Summer Cup and Commando Cup. 1 Todd Jameson 67-5=62, 2 Scott Macfarlane 81-17=64, 3 Scott Campbell 83-17=66, 4 Paul Jameson 78-11=67. Scratch Todd Jameson with 67. CSS 66 and there was four magic two, three at the 16th and one at the 2nd. The Commando Cup was presented by Maureen Turfrey widow of the Scottish 11th Commando secretary.

Yellow medal: 1 Ian Heron 84-17=67, 2 Allan Martin 82-15=67.

Sunday 31 August, Hastings Cup second game. 1 G Tinto 85-20=65, 2 Allan Winship 82-13=69, 3 Ian Bremner 75-6=69. Scratch I Bremner with a 75. CSS 65 there was only one magic two at the 13th from Andy Smith. Hastings Cup winner Graeme Andrew 63+72=135, runner-up Allan Winship 70+69=139.

Fixtures: Saturday 6 September, Grouse qualifying, make up own four balls and check with the starter. Sunday 7 September, Autumn handicap at Machrie Bay.

Thursday 11 September, Summer cup. Saturday 13 September, AGA Grouse finals hosted by Corrie Golf Club at 1pm. Sunday 14 September, captain's prize day, stableford at 9.30am and 12.30pm.

Lochranza Golf Course

Cabrach competition: The match-play stages of this competition which has been running since the beginning of June took place over the past week.

The standard of golf was high in each match. Semi-final: Sunday 24 August, Ben Innes beat Bryan Lewis 3 and 2, Ross Traill beat Alastair Innes 2 and 1.

Final: Sunday 30 August, Ben Innes beat Ross Trail 3 and 2.

Arran Golfers Association

Fixtures: Sunday 7 September, Autumn Handicap/Drumadoon Cup at Machrie Golf Club, sheets on notice boards. Saturday 13 September, Arran Grouse at Corrie Golf Club at 1pm. Draw as follows: Broddick B v Machrie A at 1pm, Lamlash A v Broddick A at 1.10pm, Whiting Bay



Alastair Dobson, right, is pictured being presented with Broddick Golf Club's Brandon Cup by club captain Terry Raeside.

A v Machrie B at 1.20pm, Lamlash B v Whiting Bay B at 1.30pm, Corrie A v Shiskine B at 1.40pm, Lochranza B v Corrie B at 1.50pm, Shiskine A v Lochranza A at 2pm.

Saturday 20 September, Seniors Handicap at Broddick Golf Club at 1pm, yellow tees, qualifying age 55.

Whiting Bay Golf Club

Wednesday 27 August, 30 played in the latest round of the Summer Trophy, CSS 63. 1 Ryan Armstrong (7)60, 2 Corey Allan (8)62, 3 Colin Wannop (28)63, 4 Jamie Stewart (5)64 acb. Ryan Armstrong won scratch with 67 and there were magic twos by Jack Simmons (2), Wolfi Kroner (2) and Colin Wannop.

Sunday 31 August, 20 played in the rearranged lifeboat competition raising £40 for the RNLI in the process.

For the past 25 years a group of golfers from the Friars Tavern Golfing Society in Carlisle have faithfully played Whiting Bay at the time of the Lifeboat Competition but unfortunately this year it was washed out and they missed out on the special prize the club put up to mark their quarter century

For the rearranged date the boys kindly provided very generous prizes for the club to play for, which were won at the fourth by Gus MacLeod and at the 17th by Graeme Crichton.

Members look forward to next year when the boys from Carlisle will hopefully have better weather.

The winner of the competition this year was Dave Hackett (12)62, second Andy Martin (13)63, third Donnie Park (11)64, fourth John Pennycott (13)65. Jamie McKechnie won scratch with 71 and there were magic twos by Gus MacLeod and Donnie Park.

Fixtures: Sunday 7 September, AGA Autumn Handicap at Machrie. Wednesday 10 September, Bannatyne Cup. Saturday 13 September, AGA Arran Grouse Finals at Corrie, 1pm.

Broddick Golf Club

Saturday 30 August, Belhaven Texas Scramble, 40 played (10 teams). 1 Kate McAdam, Jimmy Armit, Gordon Hendry and Bobby McCrae 53, 2 Ann Hart, Alan Hart, Lindsay Keir and Robbie Duncan 54.6, 3 June Richardson, Jo Hastings, Bob and Doug Hastings 55.6, 4 Fiona Crawford, Heather Raeside, David Henderson and Terry Raeside 56.5.

Wednesday 27 August, Summer Cup, 40 played. CSS 64. 1 James Armit (9)62 acb, 2 Brian Allison (12)63, 3 Iain MacDonald (7)63. Scratch Ewan McKinnon 70. There were 10 twos recorded Ewan McKinnon getting two, and Iain Sillars, Brian Smith, Derek Roxburgh, Nicol Hume, Robbie Duncan, Matthew Dobson, Greg McCrae and Chris Pattenden all getting one each.

Sunday 1 September, Brandon Cup final, 12 qualifiers. Winner: Alastair Dobson. Runner-up: Kenny McMillan.

Sunday 1 September, Sweep 1 Terry Raeside (9)62, 2 Alastair Dobson (7)63, 3 John McKean (12)65. Scratch Alastair Dobson 70.

Fixtures: Sunday 7 September, AGA Autumn Handicap at Machrie Bay. Wednesday 10 September, Summer Cup final round. Sunday 14 September, Brandon. Class draws at 8.30am and 1pm.

Corrie Golf Club

Wednesday 27 August, 16 played, CSS61. 1 A McDonald 65-10=55, 2 J McGovern 70-10=60, 3 R I McMillan 74-13=61, best scratch A McDonald 65. Magic twos from A McDonald and HB McKinnon.

Saturday 30 August, Whisky Cup, 16 played, CSS 60. 1 Peter McKinnon 81-25=56, 2 Donald Logan 67-9=58, 3 Bob Rooney 72-13=59. Best scratch D Logan and R Logan both 67. Magic twos from R Logan, P McKinnon, A Napier, B Rooney, A McDonald.

Well done to Peter on winning the Whisky Cup.

Fixtures: Saturday 6 September, sweep at 8.30am and 1pm. Sunday 7 September, ALGU golf final at Corrie at 12.30pm, tee reserved from 12noon until 1pm.

Saturday 13 September, AGA Grouse Competition at Corrie at 1pm.

Machrie Bay Golf Club

Tuesday 26 August, Medal. 1 Brian Sherwood 69, 2 Ian Buchanan 70, 3 Douglas Johnston 73. Scratch Brian Sherwood 80. Lawson-Cameron Cup, after a close game David Jeffrey won beating John Pennycott on the last hole.

Fixtures: Tuesday 9 September, SGLU medal and sweep tee off 12.30pm.



Ross Traill, right, congratulates Ben Innes after he won the Cabrach competition at Lochranza Golf Course.

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Anne would like to thank all who came to her birthday celebrations. A Big thank you for all cards, gifts and bottles!
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Sannox win last game

Sannox Cricket Club ended their season last Sunday with a trip to perennial opponents Carradale.

The wicket at Carradale is generally 'low and slow' and high scoring games are the exception rather than the norm. Any score over 120 by a batting side is generally considered to be good.

After the toss Sannox were given the opportunity to bat first. Haggerty and McMullen opened the batting for the Sannox men and their performances matched expectations, as both men were still at the crease after 18 overs with the score on 32; hardly dynamic but by the same token steady.

The opening pairs resilience was frustrating the Carradale bowlers and on the fifth change of a bowler, J Hooper, Haggerty was trapped leg

before wicket (lbw). Pomeroy came to the crease and started to play attacking shots from the start of his innings but he too fell to a caught and bowled of J Hooper, having faced only four balls.

From a good start two wickets down in one over was not what the doctor had ordered. Kemp then joined McMullen and another 35 runs were scored before Kemp was given lbw, having scored 20, a decision which did not meet Kemp's approval.

Brookes then arrived at the crease and he too was returned to the pavillion without troubling the scorer. As before, a good partnership was split by the loss of two quick wickets.

Marriot joined McMullen at the wicket and together they took the score to 115. Marriot played some excellent attack-

ing shots in his own style but it was opener McMullen who was next to fall in the 33rd over, giving an easy catching chance to the Carradale wicket keeper; having scored 25.

Marriot saw out the remainder of the innings reaching 46 not out, he was assisted by Dunn who notched up 12 runs and McCartney who chipped in with four runs. The innings ended on the completion of 40 overs with Sannox on 137 for 8.

Carradale began their innings in total contrast to that of Sannox. They lost three wickets in the first four overs, a position from which they would never recover.

All the Sannox bowlers had success and at one point it looked like a rout was on the cards as more Carradale wickets fell. However Carradale batsman Graham found

form and he began to score freely. At one point it looked like he was going to win the match for Carradale by himself.

Having gone to and beyond his half century Dunn bowled him, some 30 runs short of victory for Carradale.

The equation was now simple for Sannox, remove two tail enders for less than thirty runs and take the victory. Sannox achieved this comfortably, winning by 25 runs.

At the end of the game Martin Kemp announced that his playing days were over. The club would like to thank Martin for his time and efforts associated with the club. For anyone interested in island cricket please visit the website www.sannoxcricketclub.com

End of season high for Southend

Southend celebrated the end of the football season in style on Saturday afternoon.

The team beat Brodick 1-0 to take the Arran Football Cup for 2014.

An inspired goal by young player of the year Donny Park took his team to victory late into the second half of the game at Ormidale Park.

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